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REFERENCE: [REDACTED] BLINDER ORDER OF BATTLE  
GOMEL/PRIBYTKI AIRFIELD & ZHITOMIR/SKOMOROKHI  
AIRFIELD, USSR

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

HIGHEST COMBINED TOTAL OF TU-22 (BLINDER)  
AIRCRAFT SEEN ON A SINGLE KH MISSION: 70  
BLINDER AT FOUR AIRFIELDS (SEE ALSO  
[REDACTED] THIS IS THE FIRST BLINDER  
OBSERVATION AT ZHITOMIR/SKOMOROKHI.
2. REMARKS:

BLINDER (TU-22) WAS FIRST DISPLAYED IN THE  
1961 TUSHINO AIR SHOW AS A FOLLOW-ON AIRCRAFT  
TO THE BADGER (TU-16). THERE ARE TWO VERSIONS  
OF THE TU-22, BOTH TWIN ENGINE TURBOJET  
AIRCRAFT HAVING SUPERSONIC CAPABILITY: THE  
BLINDER "A", A CONVENTIONAL BOMBER AND THE  
BLINDER "B" WHICH IS FITTED WITH ONE AS-4  
KITCHEN ASM. THE TU-22 HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO  
BOTH THE LONG RANGE AIR ARMY AND THE SOVIET  
NAVAL AIR FORCE.
3. LOCATION:

GOMEL/PRIBYTKI AIRFIELD: 9 NM SE OF GOMEL.

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ZHITOMIR/SKOMOROKHI AIRFIELD: 6.5 NM SSE  
OF ZHITOMIR.



5. FIRST IDENTIFICATION: GOMEL/PRIBYTKI AIRFIELD: [REDACTED]  
ZHITOMIR/SKOMOROKHI AIRFIELD: [REDACTED]
6. NEGATION DATE: NONE
7. SUBSEQUENT COVERAGE: GOMEL/PRIBYTKI AIRFIELD 24 KH-4 AND 3 KH-7  
MISSIONS.  
ZHITOMIR/SKOMOROKHI AIRFIELD: 22 KH-4 MISSIONS.
8. DIMENSIONS/  
SPECIFICATIONS: GOMEL/PRIBYTKI: 9600 FT ENE/WSW CONCRETE RUNWAY

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ZHITOMIR/SKOMOROKHI: 9660 FT NW/SE CONCRETE RUNWAY

TU-22 BLINDER: LENGTH 80 FT

WINGSPAN: 110 FT

GROSS WEIGHT: 185,000 LBS

MAXIMUM SPEED: 975 KTS.

COMBAT CEILING: 48,000 FT

RANGE UNREFUELED: 2,850 NM

RANGE WITH ONE REFUELING

(BLINDER B ONLY): 3,300 NM.

9. MISSION READOUT: GOMEL/PRIBYTKI AIRFIELD: THIS MISSION

REVEALS 28 BLINDER, 14 BADGER, AND 1 COOKPOT.

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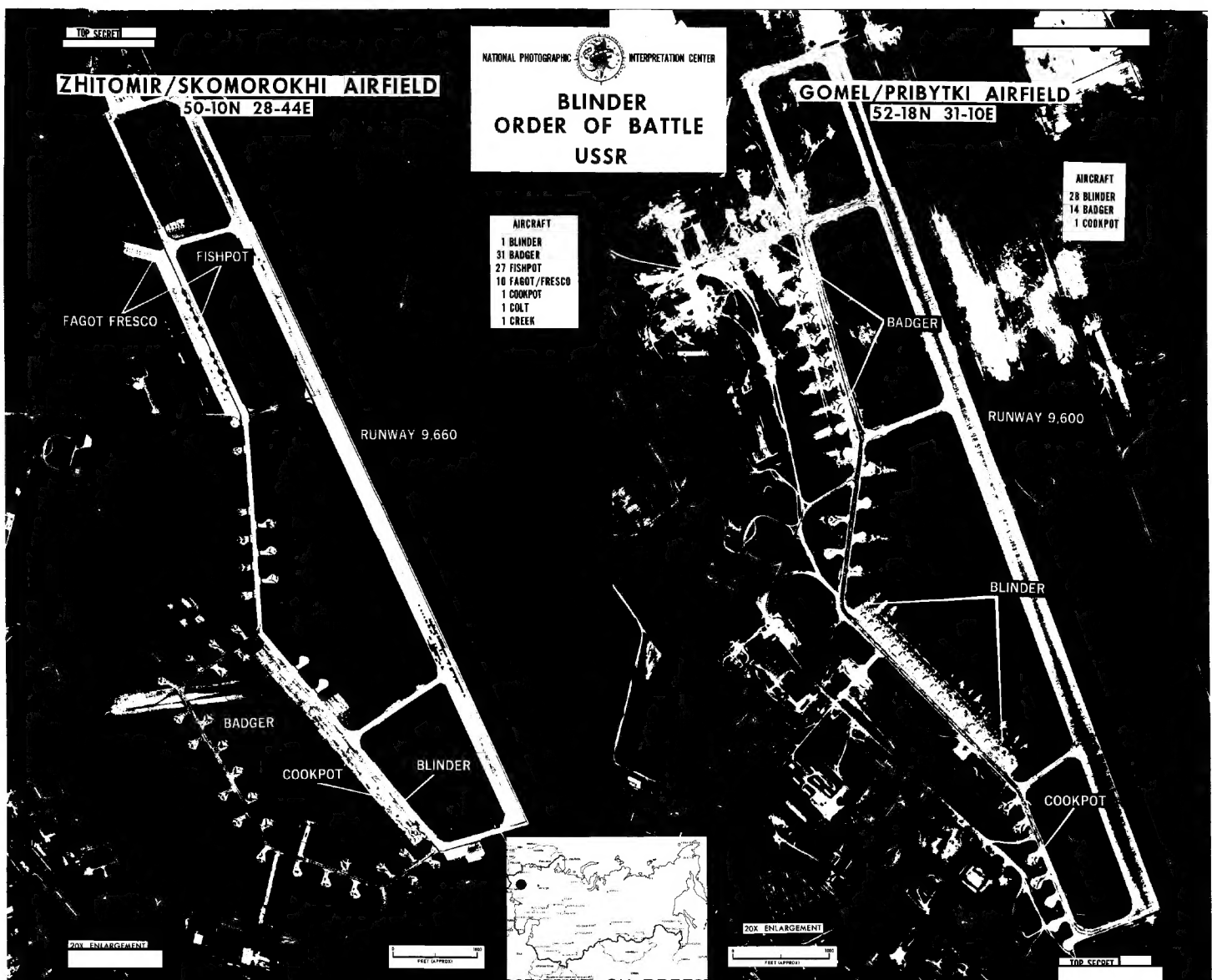
ZHITOMIR/SKOMOROKHI AIRFIELD: THIS MISSION REVEALS 1 BLINDER, 31 BADGER,  
27 FISHPOT, 10 FAGOT/FRESCO, 1 COOKPOT, 1 COLT, AND 1 CREEK.

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